

What is claimed is:

1 *Sub A2* 1. A laminate support used in the process of wire  
2 bonding a circuit device, comprising a closed woven mesh  
3 having strands whose separation distance is equal to or less  
4 than the diameter of said wire of said circuit device.

1 2. The laminate support used in the process of wire  
2 bonding a circuit device in accordance with claim 1, wherein  
3 said separation distance is no greater than 0.7 mils.

1 3. The laminate support used in the process of wire  
2 bonding a circuit device in accordance with claim 1, wherein  
3 said separation distance is between 0.2 and 0.7 mils.

1 *Sub A3* 4. The laminate support used in the process of wire  
2 bonding a circuit device in accordance with claim 1, wherein  
3 said laminate support comprises fiberglass.

1 *Sub A3* 5. The laminate support used in the process of wire  
2 bonding a circuit device in accordance with claim 1, wherein  
3 said laminate support is between approximately 2.5 and 4  
4 mils thick.

1           6. The laminate support used in the process of wire  
2 bonding a circuit device in accordance with claim 1, wherein  
3 said circuit device is a pad of large scale integrated  
4 design.

1 ~~50/17. A laminate support used in the process of wire~~  
2 ~~bonding a circuit device, comprising a closed woven mesh~~  
3 ~~having warp and weave strands, whose separation distance is~~  
4 ~~equal to or less than the thickness of said wire of said~~  
5 ~~circuit device, as measured lengthwise through said closed~~  
6 ~~woven mesh.~~

1           8. The laminate support used in the process of wire  
2 bonding a circuit device in accordance with claim 7, wherein  
3 said separation distance is equal to or less than 0.7 mils.

1           9. The laminate support used in the process of wire  
2 bonding a circuit device in accordance with claim 7, wherein  
3 said separation distance is between 0.2 and 0.7 mils.

1 ~~ASub 10. The laminate support used in the process of wire~~  
2 ~~bonding a circuit device in accordance with claim 7, wherein~~  
3 ~~said laminate support comprises fiberglass.~~

1 ~~5Vp~~ ~~11.~~ The laminate support used in the process of wire  
 2 bonding a circuit device in accordance with claim 7, wherein  
 3 said laminate support is between approximately 2.5 and 4  
 4 mils thick.

1 12. The laminate support used in the process of wire  
 2 bonding a circuit device in accordance with claim 7, wherein  
 3 said circuit device comprises a pad of large scale  
 4 integrated design.

1 13. A laminate support used in the process of wire  
 2 bonding a circuit device, comprising a closed woven mesh  
 3 having warp and weave strands, whose separation distance is  
 4 no greater than the diameter of said wire of said circuit  
 5 device as measured lengthwise through said closed woven  
 6 mesh, and wherein said separation distance is approximately  
 7 equal to or less than 0.7 mils.

1 14. The laminate support used in the process of wire  
 2 bonding a circuit device in accordance with claim 13,  
 3 wherein said separation distance is between 0.2 and 0.7  
 4 mils.

1 15. The laminate support used in the process of wire  
2 bonding a circuit device in accordance with claim 13,  
3 wherein said laminate support comprises fiberglass.

1 16. The laminate support used in the process of wire  
2 bonding a circuit device in accordance with claim 13,  
3 wherein said laminate support is between approximately 2.5  
4 and 4 mils thick.

1 17. The laminate support used in the process of wire  
2 bonding a circuit device in accordance with claim 13,  
3 wherein said circuit device comprises a pad of large scale  
4 integrated design.

1 18. A method for supporting a circuit device during  
2 wire bonding, comprising the steps of:

3 a) applying a capillary tool to wire that is to  
4 be bonded to a circuit device; and

5 b) supporting said circuit device upon a closed  
6 woven mesh whose separation distance between woven strands  
7 is less than or equal to a diameter of said wire.

1 19. The method of claim 18, wherein said separation  
2 distance is approximately equal to or less than 0.7 mils.

1 20. The method of claim 18, wherein said separation  
2 distance is between approximately 0.2 and 0.7 mils.

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